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71 Crawford St.
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Dear Percy:

Dont think you are one half as disgusted as I am. I really dont know what to think of Green. He told me he would go south that whole week, and telephoned me this morning to say he had promised some white team to play them in Baltimore the 24th, and doesnt want to leave his park open the 28th. What has happened is he is drawing very well in Baltimore nights. I would have just as soon gone to Baltimore for the 28th but he should have said so in the beginning so we would not have gotten the parks. As it is it may not be so bad, what you can say to the park man is, due to the fact Norfolk is playing Portsmouth both those dates, we decided to move one of the games to Baltimore as we realized they were going out of their way to let us have the dates. On the strength of what the park man said to you, this will be a very logical excuse. You can tell him you told us what he said, and we went ahead to make this other arrangements, so as to cooperate with them.

I can understand Green wanting to play at home. You get all the best of it if you can draw at home, but he still should have told me when I asked him to go south. Another excuse he had was, he is coming to Newark to play me July 7th, and he is leaving his park open too much. We played one night game here, and had a nice crowd. If we can draw nights we will want to play home too. That is only natural, but I will know in front when I am going to stay home, and not mislead a team. I am sure if you put it to Mr Moore the way I suggested he might even be glad not to have us there while they are in Portsmouth.

I wrote Willie yesterday and asked him who to ship the placards to. Will we ship the Portsmouth cards to Joe Lewis, and The Norfolk and Newport News cards to you? Please let me know this as soon as you can. I also asked him have you got tickets? and what prices they charge down there.

Sincerely